

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in this application. Claims 6 and 8 have been amended to delete improper multiple dependencies.

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Preliminary Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS

The claims have been amended as follows:

6. (Amended) A denitrifying composition as described in [any one of claims 1 to 5] claim 1 wherein said sulfur is amorphous sulfur.

8. (Amended) A denitrifying material comprising a mixture of a denitrifying composition as described in [any one of claims 1 to 7] claim 1 and mineral fibers.

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